Judge: Hon. R. Gary Klausner

Los Angeles

DECLARATION OF AMANDA J. KLOPF

- I, Amanda J. Klopf, declare and state the following:
- 1. I am an associate with the law firm of Latham & Watkins LLP, counsel for Defendant Republic of Liberia. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of California, and have been admitted to practice before this Court. I submit this declaration in support of the Republic of Liberia's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 8, 12(b)(1), and 12(b)(6). I have personal knowledge of the facts contained in this declaration, and if called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently thereto.
- 2. On July 14, 2010, I called Plaintiffs' counsel of record, Thaddeus Culpepper. Mr. Culpepper did not answer. I left a detailed voicemail requesting that he dismiss the Republic of Liberia from this action in light of the sovereign immunity protection of the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1604. I also asked that he return my call at his earliest convenience. Mr. Culpepper never responded to my July 14 voicemail.
- 3. Also on July 14, 2010, I sent Mr. Culpepper an email. Following up on the voicemail I left for him, I asked Mr. Culpepper to meet and confer concerning the potential dismissal of claims asserted against the Republic of Liberia, and requested that he return my call at his earliest convenience. A true and correct copy of my July 14, 2010 email to Mr. Culpepper is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
 - 4. Mr. Culpepper never responded to my voicemail or email.
- 5. Without Mr. Culpepper's cooperation, we could not fully comply with Local Rule 7-3.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and ability. Dated: July 19, 2010 /s/ Amanda J. Klopf